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LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:731
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Promotion of Theatre Arts
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to formulate scheme to promote theatre arts in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of financial assistance provided by the Government to theatre artists during the last two years?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR CULTURE & TOURISM

(Dr. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) & (b): Promotion of Theatre Arts is a continuous process. Ministry of Culture through its autonomous organizations like National School of Drama (NSD) and Sangeet Natak Akademi takes various steps to promote Theatre Arts by performing plays, theatre workshops, outreach programmes and by organising Theatre Festivals like "Bharat Rang Mahotsav" inviting theatre groups from within the country as well as abroad, "Jasne Bachpan and Bal Sangam" for children, Tribal Festivals in different location of the country and Purvottar Theatre Festival.

(c): Details of financial assistance provided to NGO"s/Individuals during last two years under Repertory Grant and earlier Production Grant Scheme (recently it has been merged with Cultural Function Production Grant Scheme), including theatre artists are given as under:-

Year Amount (in Lakhs)
2014-15 Rs. 3916.09
2015-16 Rs. 4267.21

Details of financial assistance to theatre artists provided by the SNA during the last two year is at annexure.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in reply to Part-c of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 731 dated 21.11.2016

Sangeet Natak Akademi

(Amount in Rs.)

Financial Year Date /Year Festival Budget
2014-15
March 2015
Natya Samagama, Agartala
12-20 March 2015 15747921
Prahlad Natak Training Programme
2014-15 581900
2015-16
December 2015
Aurat Ki Jung performance at Meghdoot − I, on 4 December 2015 210380
January 2016
Natya Samagam, Delhi, 9-17 January 2016 37617104
March 2016
Desaj Darbhanga, 3-5 March, 2016 3794064
Desaj Azamgarh, 16-20 March 2016
11548833
Prahlad Natak Training Programme
2015-16 596000
2016-17

April 2016
Rashmirathi performance at Meghdoot III on 17 April 2016 174719
Bebe Ka Chamba performance at Meghdoot III on 30 April 2016
75000
July 2016
Special Documentation on Guru Kalamandalam Girija Devi, 21, 22 and 23 July 2016. 113590
Deshaj, Thathiyaa and Kanpur, July 2016
9381764
Exhibiton-Documentation: Make-up, Turbans and Costumes, at Meghdoot, 28 July to 1 August 2016 8372194
September 2016
Kutiyattam Performances in memory of Ammannur Madhavachakyar
Meghdoot Theatre - III, 8 and 9 September 2016 152000
Natya Samagama, Jammu, Abhinav Theatre, 24-28 September 2016 6108406
Prahlad Natak Training Programme
2016-17 407000